

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are rejected. Claims 2 and 10 are canceled herein. Claims 1, 3-9, and 11-18 are amended herein. Claims 1, 3-9, and 11-18 remain in the application.

The Examiner has objected to the title of the invention. With this paper, the title has been amended. Withdrawal of the objection to the title is requested.

The Examiner has objected to claim 10 in that claim 10 depends on itself. Claim 10 is canceled.

Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-2 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Number 6,175,396 (Kim '396).

Claim 1 has been amended to recite, in part:

a PCB cover positioned adjacent the control PCB, said control PCB being positioned between the PCB cover and the mold frame, wherein said PCB cover comprises a grounding hole exposing the conductive grounding part of the control PCB; and

a grounding contact member positioned adjacent the PCB cover opposite the control PCB, said grounding contact member including a rear contact part contacting the conductive grounding part of the control PCB from outside the PCB cover through the grounding hole, and a side contact part bent from the rear contact part and contacting the side part of the chassis, said grounding contact member grounding the control PCB. (Emphasis added.)

Claim 2 is canceled.

Applicants respectfully submit that the flat panel display apparatus recited in claim 1, and, in particular, the PCB cover comprising a grounding hole exposing the conductive grounding part of the control PCB, is neither taught nor suggested by Kim '396. Nor does Kim '396 teach or suggest a flat panel display apparatus comprising a "...control PCB having the length shorter than the width of the flat panel display..." as recited in claim 1 as amended. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection under § 102 of claim 1.

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Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner has rejected claims 9-12 as being unpatentable over Kim '396. Claim 9 recites, in part:

a PCB cover positioned adjacent the control PCB, said control PCB being positioned between the PCB cover and the mold frame, wherein said PCB cover comprises a grounding hole exposing the conductive grounding part of the control PCB; and

a grounding contact member positioned adjacent the PCB cover opposite the control PCB, said grounding contact member including a rear contact part contacting the conductive grounding part of the control PCB from outside the PCB cover through the grounding hole, and a side contact part bent from the rear contact part and contacting the side part of the chassis, said grounding contact member grounding the control PCB. (Emphasis added.)

Applicants respectfully submit that the LCD recited in claim 9, and, in particular, the PCB cover comprising a grounding hole exposing the conductive grounding part of the control PCB, is neither taught nor suggested by Kim '396. Nor is an LCD comprising a "...control PCB, the control PCB being shorter than the width of the backlight assembly..." as recited in claim 9 as amended taught or suggested by Kim '396. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection under § 103 of claim 9 and claims 11-12, which depend from claim 9, claim 10 being canceled.

Claims 3, 5, 13, and 15 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim '396 and U.S. Patent Number 6,411,352 (Kim '352). Applicants respectfully submit that Kim '352 fails to cure the deficiencies of Kim '396 as described above with respect to claims 1 and 9. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 3, 5, 13, and 15.

Claims 4 and 14 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim '396 in view of Official Notice. Applicants traverse the Examiner's Official Notice but submit that in view of the arguments above with respect to claims 1 and 9, this rejection has been rendered moot and should be withdrawn. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 4 and 14.

Claims 7-8 and 17-18 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim '396 and Kim '352 in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,587,166 (Lee). Applicants respectfully submit that Lee fails to cure the deficiencies of Kim '396 as described above with respect to claims 1 and 9, from which claims 7-8 and 17-18 depend, respectively. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 7-8 and 17-18.

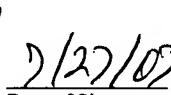
Applicant notes that the Examiner has found patentable subject matter in claims 6 and 16 and applicant requests that, in view of the amendments to claims 1 and 9, and in view of the presentation made herein that claims 6 and 16 be allowed as presented amended.

Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance for all claims is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (408) 392-9250 with any questions regarding the above-identified application.

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